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1. The Skoda factory, Dubnica nad Vahom (P49/T69) is situated on the east side of the Bratislava (P49/X99) - Zilina (150/092) highway. The factory covers an area of about six square kilometers. The main workshop is located near the highway and the ammunition stores are built into the hills. The ammunition factory "Udoli" is in the valley about three kilometers from the main workshop. Before the war this plant consisted of ten buildings. Eerasite is now manufactured in two of the buildings; the rest are being reconstructed.
2. During World War II, about 18,000 people were employed at the factory turning out heavy cannon, bombs, naval torpedoes, artillery grenades, fuses, etc. The retreating German army destroyed nearly 90 per cent of the factory. The underground installations, which had proved invulnerable under fire of 500-1,000 kg bombs, remained intact even after the Germans detonated nine car-loads of explosives inside the buildings. All of the machinery and equipment, however, was destroyed.
3. Postwar reconstruction put the factory back into operating order, but a shortage of special machines and tools made it necessary to engage in the production of non-military articles. The production of war materials began again in the spring of 1949. Only two of the underground plants are in operation at present; in these cannons are repaired and fuses of various types are manufactured. Full production is expected to begin in November 1950. Tools and machinery are being delivered from the Skoda Works, Pilsen (150/L04). About 120 carloads of machinery were delivered by August 1950, including:

10 special boring lathes
 3 relieving lathes
 10 horizontal drills
 50 turret lathes
 2 coordinate drills ("GIP" type)
 15 planing machines
 5 power saws

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In the repair shop [redacted] 75-mm caliber cannon and various machine tools are repaired. The tool room [redacted] houses the factory where [redacted] dredgers, and parts for branch materials are manufactured. Machinery of the II-2 shop consists of:

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- 20 lathes
- 5 centerless lathes
- 1 relieving lathe
- 4 horizontal drills
- 7 millin' machines
- 4 single drilling machines
- 1 complete winding plant
- 2 pneumatic riveting machines
- 2 pneumatic drophamers
- 15 electric welding machines
- 5 autogenous welding machines

The assembly room [redacted] was installed during the war and consists of eight assembly lines, [redacted] cranes, dredges, and trailers have been assembled here in the past, but it is rumored that anti-aircraft guns will be manufactured here. The machinery consists of:

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- 8 horizontal drills
- 1 large planing machine
- 2 marling tables for casting
- 2 hydraulic presses

5. A new foundry building has been constructed near the other installations, on a plot of around 800 m square. Electric furnaces and converters [redacted] and four large hydraulic prescess constitute part of the new fittings. Production is scheduled to begin sometime in 1951. It is expected that the foundry will be one of the largest in Czechoslovakia when it is fully equipped.

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6. The factory employs about 6,000 workers including about 400 men in the Workers' Militia and about 50 men in the plant security police. A partial list of leading personnel follows:

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Workshop Manager

Ing. Maximilian Wolf

Technical Manager

Ing. Rudolf Gravac

Chief of Personnel Dept.

Augustin Cen

Chief of Accounting Office

Jiri Nemecelk

Political Secretary

Josef Sivak

Chief of Production

Dr. Ing. Jan Cefko

Chairman of KTC

Antonin Samek

Chairman of POK

Jan Fotocek

Chairman of Workshop Council

Karol Hornak

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Commander of Workshop
Security

Rudolf Strana

Commander of the
Military Control

Staff Capt. Milan Bojanovsky

Chief of Military
Production

Inz. Tomasek

Chief of Non-military
Production

Inz. Ondrej Kravec

Chief of Operations

Jaroslav Jabornicky

Head Foreman

Frantisek Tomasek

Main Controller

Josef Siroc

Head Foreman of

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